STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND ECONOMIC GROWTH OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE SERVICES

Bulletin 2007-08-INS

| In the matter of : | |
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| Home Insurance – Adjustment in Value based on CPI Index | |
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Issued and entered this <u>11th</u> day of June 2007 By Linda A. Watters Commissioner

As a condition of maintaining its certificate of authority, an insurer shall not refuse to insure, refuse to continue to insure, or limit the coverage available to an eligible person for home insurance, except in accordance with underwriting rules established pursuant to Sections 2117 and 2119 of the Michigan Insurance Code, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.2117, MCL 500.2119. The Office of Financial and Insurance Services is required by the Insurance Code to adjust on January 1, 2006, and on January 1 every sixth year thereafter, the aggregate annual average percentage change in the consumer price index since the previous adjustment, rounded to the nearest hundred dollars.

The value computed below is based on the CPI Index multiplier. The calculation is arrived at as follows:

- 1. Divide the CPI Index number for January 1, 2006, by the equivalent number for March of 2003.
- 2. The multiplier is computed as follows: Multiplier = 198.3/184.2 = 1.076
- 3. Next multiply this number by the numbers set forth in the statute.
 - (a) $1.076 \times 3000 = 3,228$
 - (b) $1.076 \times 4000 = 4{,}304$

As of January 1, 2006, the new minimum dollar amount under MCL 500.2117 for three paid claims within the immediately preceding three-year period totaling \$3,000.00 or more, exclusive of weather-related claims, shall be adjusted to \$3200.

As of January 1, 2006, the new minimum dollar amount under MCL 500.2117 for three paid claims within the immediately preceding three-year period totaling \$4,000.00 or more, including weather-related claims, shall be adjusted to \$4300.

Based on the data presented in the bulletin, I hereby certify that the CPI-adjusted numbers are correct as presented and calculated.

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to:

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